Die Veneris Iuly 14th 1699

Original Journal.

The house mett againe and were Called over

Read over what was done Yesterday

A bill for the reformation of Ieofailes read the first time

A Bill for Restraining the frequent assembling of negroes read the first time

A Bill for Quietting the Defferences ariseing between the English & Indians read and wholy rejected

A Bill for Appeales & Regulateing Writts of Errors read the first Time

A Bill for Impowering the vestry men &c to Assess their Parishioners &c Read the first Time and Ord'd th' all the afsd Bills be read againe to Morrow Morning.

Iohn Greenes Petition Read and Rejected

Moved by member of this house whither the forty p pole p. 56 ariseing by act of Assembly for the maintenance of the Ministry ought to be Levyed in those Parishes where Churches are allready built and noe Incumbent on the Benefices

Referrd till to Morrow Morning.

Memorandum that on thursday Iuly 13th about four or five of the Clock in the afternoone a violent fflash of Lightning broke into the State house at Annapolis the house of Delegates being there sitting weh Instantly Killed Mr Iames Crauford one of the members for Calvert County & hurt & wounded Severall other members and Shattered & broke most part of the Dores and window Cases belonging to the said house & sett the said State house on fier in one of the vpper Chambers & Severall other Damages but the fire was presently Quenched by the Dillegence & Industry of his Excy Nathaniell Blackistone his Majives Gov

Resolved that the Amerciam's in the Sev'all & Respective County Courts in this Province be applyed to the Defraying of the County Charge & that a Bill be prepared therefore

Resolved that the Act of Assembly for 3^d p hh^d to the Use of his Maj^{tyes} P^rsent Gov^r be revived & that a Clause be incerted that it shall be at the Election of the payer Either to pay the same Either in the Currant Money of this Province or Bills of Exchange

The Comittee for Considering the Indians affaires Enter

the house and make report as follows

By the Comitte appointed to Conferr wth some of his Majtyes Honble Councill of the affaires relateing to the Indians Iuly

The Comittee being mett againe & haveing taken the said affaires into their serious Considerations It is the opinion of this Comittee that it is necessary that seven men more be